

REMARKS

Reconsideration is requested for claims 1-32. Favorable action is requested for new claims 33-35.

Claim 2 was indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form and amended to overcome a rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 3 and 15-17 were indicated to be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

I. Priority

It was noted in the Official Action that the present application claims priority to a Swedish application. The present application claims benefit to a provisional application filed the same date as the Swedish application in question. The applicant reserves the right to perfect the foreign priority claim at a later date by submitting a certified copy of the foreign priority application.

II. Abstract

The Abstract was objected to. A new Abstract accompanies the present Amendment on a separate sheet.

III. Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Claims 2, 6, and 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. The claims have been amended to address the grounds for rejection and withdrawal of the rejection is cordially urged.

IV. Prior Art Rejections

Claims 1, 4, 8, 9, 14, 18, and 21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,190,835 to *Haas et al.* Claims 7, 10-13, and 22-32 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Haas et al.* in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,002,744 to *Hertz et al.* Claims 5, 6, 19, and 20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Haas et al.* It is respectfully submitted that the claims, as amended, are not anticipated by and define patentably over the cited references. Withdrawal of the rejections is cordially urged.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Allowance is cordially urged.

If the Examiner should be of the opinion that a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any outstanding issues, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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